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**LETTER OF COUNSEL TO: ALL ELECTED LEADERS & ALL DEPARTMENTAL HEADS OF THE SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH GC & OF THE NA DIVISION**

I am writing with respect to a most serious crisis that the Seventh-day Adventist Church organizational leadership and laity worldwide have unsuspectingly entered into. Although we face great peril, we also face great opportunity. It is all a matter of choice. To get our proper bearings, let us first consider carefully some deeply instructive church history.

Circa 1912, a small delegation of SDA conference leaders from southern California traveled north by train to Saint Helena. The mission? To explain to the Lord's Messenger at Elmshaven why it is now deemed essential that the newly established **College of Medical Evangelists (CME)** should become formally associated with the **American Medical Association (AMA)**. In response to their carefully put proposal, Ellen White did not in the least equivocate in advocating for and defending God's clear and repeated counsel that we as God's church are not to be tied by so much as a thread with the institutions and organizations of this fallen world, whose leaders neither know God, nor honor His law. She went on to enumerate the many unwanted dangers and pitfalls that compromise on this vital issue would bring upon us as God's people. It was God's purpose that **CME** should evince the most advanced healing system in the world, and by example transform the medical practices of the world. With no small degree of disappointment, the brethren left and headed back south.

After some months, the same leaders made a second journey to Elmshaven, their mission unchanged. Gods messenger reaffirmed her position, even more emphatically. Finally, however this time after a much longer period of waiting, the same leaders had the audacity to make a third journey north to Elmshaven for the self-same undertaking. When Ellen White's assistant informed her of their arrival and its purpose, she refused to meet or to speak with them. On their journey home, with some degree of relief they took her silence as license viz., "*at least she didn't say no this time*". So it was that **CME** shortly thereafter came under the auspices of the **AMA Council on Medical Education**. I won't go into all the negative implications of this tragic step, except to make a few points.

Firstly, over the decades it caused **CME/LLU School of Medicine** to increasingly turn its back on the explicit principles and methods of nature-based healing that God consistently and recurrently instructed us to follow as His remnant people. These Heaven sent counsels have been largely displaced and eclipsed in our hospitals by what is essentially a counterfeit healing system. Nonetheless, we have hope. Prophetically, God's delineated healing system will be embraced and harnessed by the remnant in the "*time of the end*" as the powerful **Right Arm** of the Three Angels Messages. In vision Ezekiel was shown "*Water flowing from under the threshold of the Temple toward the east....to my ankles,...to my waist*" and then so deep that one must swim to cross over. Wherever this river flows it brings life and healing. Along the river, trees bear leaves that will not wither and bears fruit monthly. This "*fruit will be for food*" and the "*leaves for medicine.*" Ezekiel 47: 1-12 God's messenger instructs us that this **healing river** represents the true healing message and ministry of true healing that God has commissioned His people to carry out in the end-time. COH p. 310

Moreover, this step caused the rapid imposition by the **AMA** of worldly accreditation requirements on the entire **SDA** education system from the elementary to the post-secondary levels. Historical research shows us that the principles and practices of the world's modern education system traces its lineage back to the **Pontifical Gregorian Univ. in Rome**, founded by Ignatius of Loyola, the sworn archenemy of Protestantism. *"The Lord is soon coming, and for this very reason we need our schools, not that we may be educated after the order of the world, but that our institutions of learning may be more like the schools of the prophets—places where we may learn the will of God..."* From the Heart p. 260. Even as Israel of old made forbidden alliances with the enemies of truth and righteousness, they became leavened by evil practices. They lost their first love for God and the ardor to serve Him. *"The advantages they sold themselves to gain brought only disappointment and caused the loss of many souls. The experience of Israel will be the experience of all who go to the world for strength..."* From the Heart p. 319. Is this a major reason why over the decades our church has lost the potential to garner in many more millions of souls for God's kingdom, well at the same time losing millions of our young people to this fallen world?

Close to three years after Ellen White's death, in the afternoon of April 21, 1918 about 2,500 people gathered together for the dedication service of the **White Memorial Hospital**. As a site of clinical education for medical students from the **CME**, the **AMA** had insisted that this hospital had to be constructed in Los Angeles. This was agreed to, in direct violation of God's explicit counsel that our healing institutions should be situated surrounded by nature in country settings. When as a dedicatory speaker, the Vice President of the **AMA** stepped toward the lectern, a large earthquake struck. At the same moment in time, **CME's North Medical Laboratory** was literally split down the middle. Was not God by this act signally expressing His displeasure and disappointment?

Dr. Mervyn Hardinge, a 1956 **Stanford University** graduate in Pharmacology, for many years served as Chair of the **College of Medical Evangelist's Dept. of Pharmacology** (in 1961 re-named **Loma Linda University School of Medicine's Dept. of Pharmacology**.) After his retirement from teaching, in 1985 he was appointed Health Ministries Director at our **GC** world headquarters.

After his retirement from **Loma Linda University** he found a window-of-time in which to complete a project that had been deferred for many years. He'd always assumed that God's counsel through His messenger against the use of "poisonous drugs" had gradually lessened both in tone and urgency, even as medical practices gradually modernized and became "safer". However upon methodically going through virtually all published and unpublished inspired statements on the topic, up-to and including the last years of Ellen White's life, he was astonished to discover the very exact opposite of what he'd expected. The prophets warning counsels became ever-more frequent and forceful.

This information was derived from a lecture that Dr. Hardinge delivered in the late 1980s at **Adventist Hinsdale Hospital** on the topic "What is a Drug?" It was indeed quite riveting for me to listen to this message. He then explained, how an ostensibly safe modern-drug can be administered, after which it will over a period of years foment a certain form of cancer in the patient. Many of the physicians present responded in dismay by posing the question: than what do you recommend we should do in our practice of medicine? Sad to say, he was unable to provide any satisfactory answer to their troubled query.

The **Adventist Review** published an article entitled: “*Adventist Church Adopts Stance on Vaccines*” - dated: March 10, 2015. (You can examine my prompt response to this decision posted at: <https://amazingdiscoveries.org/adventisms-official-embrace-of-vaccination-a-blessing-or-curse> ) Key portions of the articulated church position follows: “*The Seventh-day Adventist Church places strong emphasis on health... [which] is based on biblical revelation, the inspired writing of E.G. White... and on peer-reviewed scientific literature. As such, we encourage responsible immunization / vaccination, and have no religious or faith-based reason not to encourage our adherents to responsibly participate in... immunization programs. ...The choice not to be immunized is not and should not be seen as the dogma nor the doctrine of the Seventh-day Adventist Church.*”

Why did the official Church statement not affirm that: “*Neither the choice to be immunized, nor the choice not to be immunized is not and should not be seen as the dogma nor the doctrine of the Seventh-day Adventist Church.*” So incredibly, any careful reader is inescapably led to conclude that the statement as worded in the official statement poses an implicit affirmation that **the choice to immunize now represents the dogma and doctrine of the Seventh-day Adventist Church.**

We know without question that God’s inspired Word is truth, including the **Gift of Prophecy** as given to the **Remnant Church**. However, just how reliable and trustworthy is the revealed “truth” as found “*peer-reviewed scientific literature*” ? Dr. John Ioannidis, Professor at **Stanford University** is the most widely cited biomedical scientist in the world. He affirms “*It can be proven that most claimed research findings are false.*” He shows how and why it is that in the majority of cases, peer-reviewed published research findings simply represent an attempt to prove an **unproven prevalent bias**. You can read his paper, which affords proof of this conclusion, and is entitled: “**Why Most Published Research Findings are False**” at: [https://www.academia.edu/26252588/Why\\_most\\_published\\_research\\_findings\\_are\\_false\\_PDF](https://www.academia.edu/26252588/Why_most_published_research_findings_are_false_PDF)

Moreover, a common practice nurtured in recent decades by the pharmaceutical industry is the menace called “**Ghost Writing**”. Big-name scientists at major universities are paid substantial sums of money to fraudulently add their name to a given research study as an author, when in truth they had no actual involvement in carrying out and documenting the research findings. This typically occurs with drug and vaccine trial studies that are financed and conducted by the major drug companies. In a seminal article entitled: **Ghostwriting: The Dirty Little Secret of Medical Publishing...**, the authors aptly observe: “*It's time to get serious about tackling ghostwriting. As... this practice can result in lasting injury and even deaths as a result of prescribers and patients being misinformed about risks. How did we get to the point that falsifying the medical literature is acceptable?... Medical journal editors need to decide whether they want to roll over and just join the marketing departments of pharmaceutical companies.*” <https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC2734179/>

In a seminal report entitled: “**Twenty-Seven Years of Pharmaceutical Industry Criminal and Civil Penalties: 1991 Through 2017**” there is documented 412 legal actions taken by the U.S. Federal and multiple State governments against 37 major drug companies for various felonies, which inter alia caused significant unnecessary deaths and disablement. The penalty fines levied by the courts and paid out totaled: 38 billion 800 million dollars. Some of the specific crimes included: **downplaying health risks of drug and vaccine products; paying kickbacks to influence prescribing patterns; concealing negative results of company-sponsored studies, and falsifying data;** and selling contaminated or adulterated

drug and vaccine products. The report observed: “*Much larger penalties and successful [criminal] prosecutions of company executives that oversee systemic fraud, including jail sentences if appropriate, are necessary to deter future unlawful behavior. Otherwise, these illegal but profitable activities **will continue** to be part of companies’ business model.*”  
<https://www.citizen.org/article/twenty-seven-years-of-pharmaceutical-industry-criminal-and-civil-penalties-1991-through-2017/>

What about governmental integrity? My sister in law’s father, who is an Adventist virologist, served alongside Drs. Fauci and Gallo at the **National Institutes of Health** (NIH). At the dinner table he’d refer to these two doctors as being criminal “*Mafia*”. The day came when he openly opposed marketing approval for a newly developed vaccine, which he well knew would cause significant endangerment and death to the public. For putting the protection of public-health and well-being ahead of drug-company profits, he was promptly dismissed from employment. To get a concise snapshot of the type of criminality that has been occurring in recent years at the top of the U.S. government in the medical field, see: <https://needtoknow.news/2021/01/the-literal-crimes-of-dr-fauci-dr-redfield-and-health-and-human-services-secretary-alex-azar/> (R. Redfield, recent head of the Centers for Disease Control (CDC))

Obviously in today’s world, systemic criminal practices contaminate the medical “**peer reviewed literature**”, particularly in the realm of reporting on “*safety*” and “*efficacy*” in new drug and vaccine clinical trials. So does such literature actually now represent an officially sanctioned third-pillar of revealed truth on which the Seventh-day Adventist Church and its members seek guidance for safeguarding their physical and mental health?

As a church we take great pride in operating the largest protestant system of hospitals and clinics in the world. Yet, at an international health symposium it was reported that: “*Age-adjusted death rates were reported to be greater in countries with greater numbers of doctors... Equally difficult to explain, death rates for diseases amenable to treatment were reported to be greatest in areas with the most medical care resources.... Iatrogenic mortality may similarly help to explain... that **greater numbers of doctors and medical resources... are associated with higher death rates.** Iatrogenic mortality is also reflected in the observation of brief but **dramatic decreases in population death rate[s] when doctors strike and surgery for elective... operations are suspended.**” The drop in death rates during physician strikes is substantial, i.e. as high as 60% within a period of only a week to 10 days. (Bunker J.P., Symposium: *The Role of Medical Care in Contributing to Health Improvements Within Societies*; International Journal of Epidemiology, 2001, No. 30, pp. 1260-1263)*

All false religions contain at least a few elements of truth as a means of affording some credibility to its belief-system, thus making it more attractive to the unwary. As a essentially counterfeit healing system, modern Allopathic Medicine similarly has some genuinely beneficial elements, which represent roughly 5% of overall medical practice. This includes emergency measures such as setting and replacing damaged bones, extracting foreign objects, constructive and reparative surgeries, reviving heartbeat, etc. About 1% of such varied interventions actually save human lives. However, this number of lives saved, literally pales in comparison with the incredibly vast number of lives that are lost annually due to infectious disease “*prophylaxis*” via vaccines, degenerative disease treatments via drugs, and the aggressive prescribing of unnecessary surgeries.

The seminal book “**Death by Medicine**” (researched by three MDs and a PhD) meticulously documents that annually in the United States there are an approximate: **2,200,000 adverse reactions to prescribed drugs** including: perforated ulcers; brain damage; birth defects; blood clots, behavioral disorders; addiction; cancer; and cardiac arrest. Annually, there are **784,000 deaths due to medical drugs and treatments**. So **modern allopathic medicine has veritably become the leading cause of death in the nation**, exceeding the respective annual death rates for Cardiovascular Disease, and Cancer. For a summary of findings: [https://chiro.org/LINKS/FULL/Death\\_By\\_Medicine.html](https://chiro.org/LINKS/FULL/Death_By_Medicine.html)

Let’s be truly honest with ourselves, does the disablement and death-dealing system of drug-driven Allopathic Medicine actually represent God’s Right Arm of the Three Angels Messages? The inspired counsel on this is unequivocal: “**There are many ways of practicing the healing art; but there is only one way that Heaven approves. God's remedies are the simple agencies of nature, that will not tax or debilitate the system....**” Testimonies for the Church Vol. 5, p. 443. The Son of God “*did not give countenance to drug medication, He sanctioned the use of simple and natural remedies... He taught that disease is the result of violating God's laws, both natural and spiritual.*” Desire of Ages p. 824.. Speaking of the natural health-protective and healing methods that God sanctions, His prophet clarifies: “*They are given to the well to keep them well (not vaccines) and to the sick to make them well... they are more effective in restoring health than all the drug medication in the world.*” 7 Testimonies, p. 76 (1902) Near the close of her life, God’s messenger affirmed “*Those who take a medical training spend a great deal of time in learning that which is merely rubbish.*” Loma Linda Messages; P. 100

So at this point let us turn to the question of vaccination. It is vital that we objectively address the question of what in actuality was the posture of the Lord’s messenger on this issue. In accepting the extensive inspired counsels on the causes of human health and disease, one must conclude that an intelligent relationship to the Creator-established sacred and unalterable laws of nature, including those embedded in our mind-body complex, serve as the actual determinants of wellness, or of illness. To side-step or to misrepresent this inspired counsel is to engage in unprincipled subterfuge. After all, can anyone of basic intelligence argue with the observation, that vaccines are specifically designed to abrogate and to make of non-effect the sacred and immutable laws of cause and effect as have been divinely established by God in our being? The enticing message is implicit but very clear: “*Live as self-indulgently as your fallen nature may dictate, and an injection of our magic potion will keep you strong and well.*” Such an enticement sounds to me like the voice of the great enemy of God and of humanity.

We all know that there is not one explicit word contained anywhere in the inspired counsels of the Spirit of Prophecy on the practice of vaccination. There is however, a pivotal sentence penned by D.E. Robinson found on p. 303 of “**Selected Messages**” bk. 2. This sentence is the foundation of the commonly publicized claim in our church that Ellen White was vaccinated, and additionally that she advocated the usage of vaccines. He reported that in response to a local smallpox epidemic, Ellen White was vaccinated and had urged others in her company to do the same. Given the way that he elucidates these events, he obviously was not present when this purported incident occurred. If he were present, he surely would have specified that she urged him and others to be vaccinated, and in turn his dutiful compliance in doing so. So it is more than reasonable to conclude that this explanation of events, penned 16 years after



Ellen White's death, was based entirely upon hearsay. For a number of sound reasons, in the entire civilized world, hearsay is never considered admissible as any form of evidence in any court of law, whether civil or criminal.

There does exist countervailing, indeed even more compelling first-hand testimony on Ellen White's personal posture on vaccination in a letter written by her son William. The circumstances described by William, sounds very much the same as the events described by brother Robinson. The letter was penned on Feb. 5, 1924 and addressed to Dr. L.C. Kellogg at Loma Linda, in the 2<sup>nd</sup> paragraph her son employs two key words to describe his mother's thinking on vaccination. In his words "*she regarded it as **perplexing***" and "*she spoke of it as something **dangerous***". She employed the latter depreciatory term relative to William's vaccination as a child. In his words "*She said that as a child I was perfectly healthy until I was vaccinated and by that **my health was much impaired***." Although a prophet, as a very young woman Ellen White was obviously not well informed on this issue.

In the 3<sup>rd</sup> and final paragraph of the letter he noted his mother had encountered and carefully listened to the argument that "*methods of vaccination had been improved*." He made no comment on whether this claim had either been accepted or rejected by her. At a later time, while travelling, they (his mother, himself and some associates) arrived at a city location "*where smallpox was raging... I and my associates were vaccinated*". He also noted that his mother remained silent, i.e. she did not verbally object when they made their decision to vaccinate. He would most certainly never refer to his mother as an "*associate*", and had she either verbally encouraged vaccination, or had herself been vaccinated, such would have been clearly and explicitly specified in the letter. It was not.

**"Woe to them who call evil good and good evil"** Isaiah 5:20. When leaders establish a policy and proceed to engage in advocacy on any life and death issue, they must do so prayerfully and carefully, weighing all of the facts objectively. In the 21<sup>st</sup> century there is no excuse to plead ignorance on the issue of whether vaccines are inherently beneficial, or totally inimical to human health. We had better be right in our conclusion, for they are either a great blessing or a great curse, they certainly can't be both. **As God's children we can plead no excuse for willful ignorance, for in sacred history we see that this posture inevitably leads to devastating consequences.**

Can it be actually proven that vaccination (AKA artificial immunization) is an indubitable blessing to the overall health and well being of the human family? Or to the contrary, can it be proven beyond doubt, that **vaccines (being biologic drugs)** are consistently ineffective, unsafe, and destructive to human health and well-being? If we arrive at an affirmative conclusion to the second of these two questions, than it follows that we as Seventh-day Adventists have absolutely no business in defending, promoting, administering, or receiving vaccines. Moreover, to do so, would be to treat God's definite warning as enunciated in 1 Cor. 3:16-17, with contempt.

A legal submission filed in **U.S. Federal Court** by G. Glaser and R. Flores in December of 2020, exhaustively documents and substantiates that **unvaccinated Americans enjoy exponentially better health than do the vaccinated. Specifically, 1,248% (over 12 times) better health for unvaccinated adults and 1,099% (11 times) better health for unvaccinated children.** These litigators utilized thousands of pages of incontestable

scientific, and epidemiological survey evidence. National data of vaccinated children in the United States show that vaccinated children suffer from a wide range of chronic diseases and degenerative conditions at a rate several hundred percent higher than do unvaccinated children. The scientific and epidemiological **evidence for these findings has a 99% confidence interval**. (See E-Mail attachment: Epidemiological Survey Graphs - Vaccinated vs Unvaccinated.pdf)

I was grieved and much dismayed when in mid-May 2021 the **Hope Channel** aired a 2 ½ hour series of panel interviews on the subject of whether Adventists should or should not take the Covid-19 “*vaccine*”. The entire dialogue sounded as if either Moderna or Pfizer’s advertising department had drafted it. Again and again it was restated that the vaccines are very “*safe*”. No mention was made that in the U.S. the **number of vaccine deaths reported to VAERS in the First Quarter of 2021 (Jan-March), was 6000% higher than vaccine deaths reported in the First Quarter of 2020**. Why were our brothers and sisters never warned about the wide-range of potentially devastating impacts of these vaccines?

The other part of the incessant message was that the vaccines are **highly effective, i.e. 95.1% (Pfizer) and 94.7% “relative risk reduction”**, when in truth the “**actual risk reduction for the Pfizer vaccine is only 0.7% and Moderna 0.6%, i.e. slightly over ½ of one percent**”. **This rate is so low as to be meaningless**, let alone “*highly effective*”. Why didn’t the interviewed medical “*experts*” examine this issue more closely, and report the real facts? (When reporting on drug and vaccine trials, mainstream media news outlets routinely and irresponsibly employ numbers based upon “relative risk” reduction, using the word “risk” alone, thus conveying vastly exaggerated and sensationalized results in their reporting.) Yes, there was allowance for listener questions and comments, however those who raised any view(s) outside of the planned narrative were consistently ignored and blocked. How open, fair-minded, and Christ-like is that approach to “*dialogue*”?

Over a period of several weeks I’ve put together two well-referenced PowerPoint presentations converted into a PDF format. The first consists 71 slides and is titled: **Historical Actualities - Immunity, Disease & Vaccination (Part One in Series)**; and the second consists of 86 slides and is titled: **Alarming Actualities - The “Pandemic” & COVID-19 “Vaccines” (Part Two in Series)**.

The **Part One** presentation affords a sweeping overview of the ancient origins and more recent historical history of vaccination. Employing historical source documentation, it **accurately exposes the total irrelevance of this practice to the “eradication” of the 19<sup>th</sup> through mid 20<sup>th</sup> century infectious disease scourges, including smallpox and polio**. It also considers inter alia, its contributive role in increasing childhood mortality rates, and early childhood afflictions such as **Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS) and Shaken Baby Syndrome (SBS)**.

The **Part Two** presentation initially examines the facts surrounding the onset of the Covid-19 “*Pandemic*”. It affords **incontestable evidence that the “Pandemic” was nefariously pre-planned years in advance, and in its entirety has been built upon a foundation of fraudulent testing**. The latter part of the presentation looks closely at the current **COVID-19 vaccine drive**, which is turning out to be an **unprecedented and unparalleled onslaught upon human life and health**. These are definitely facts that you need to be conversant with,

particularly when formulating policies and exerting influences that will inescapably impact, for good or for ill, the future of God's people and the finishing of God's work.

In the 1980s when I was working with the **NAD** and based at **Monument Valley Mission**, I was invited to give a presentation at the *Navajo Nation's Annual Educator's Conference* in Kayenta, Arizona. The subject was "**Nature's Healing Physicians**". Upon its completion, a Navajo school principal began to describe her experience with a terminal disease. She was given only months to live, and a 50% chance of recovery, but only if she traveled to Salt Lake City for Surgery. She was impressed to go to the small SDA hospital at **Monument Valley Mission**, where a physician there instructed her to take certain nutritional and other restorative lifestyle measures. He also prescribed some simple non-toxic plant medicines. After some weeks she fully recovered from the disease. At that point the room became electrified and every eye turned toward me, and the verbalized query was made, are they still practicing natural medicine at the mission? I was deeply embarrassed and chagrined to say that the mission no longer had this doctor, and now conventional medicine was being practiced. The disappointment of those present was palpable. I'm convinced that if we had adhered to God's prescribed methods of healing as a church, instead of having millions of Seventh-day Adventists in the world, we would have hundreds of millions.

The question for each of us is this: In the imminent close of probation where will we be found standing on the life and death issues as addressed in this communication, on the Lord's side or on the enemy's side? As we all look forward to our Lord's near return with all of His mighty angels, it is my sincere hope and prayer that the warning issued by the prophet Amos will not apply any of us. *"Woe to you who desire the day of the Lord! For what good is the day of the Lord to you? It will be darkness and not light. It will be as though a man fled from a lion and a bear met him! Or as though he went into the house, leaned his hand on the wall and a serpent bit him!"* Amos 5: 19-20.

I wish to thank you for taking the time to peruse this message. It was penned not in a spirit of criticism, but rather out of concern and compassion.

In the spirit of Christian friendship and peace,



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**E-Mail Attachments:**

1. **This Letter**
2. **Slide Presentation: Alarming Actualities - The "Pandemic" & COVID-19 "Vaccines", Part Two in Series**
3. **Epidemiological Survey Graphs - Vaccinated vs Unvaccinated**
4. **God's Church at a Crossroads – Dr. J. Choe**
5. **SDA Church Pacific Union Vaccine-Memo**
6. **(In Follow-up E-Mail) Slide Presentation: Historical Actualities - Immunity, Disease & Vaccination, Part One in Series**